

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

NOTICE OF DRAFT AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2010 ACTION PLAN OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA'S 2007-2011 CONSOLIDATED HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The State of Minnesota announces the availability of a draft substantial amendment to its 2010 Action Plan of the 2007-2011 Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan (Consolidated Plan) for public comment.

The Consolidated Plan is a report that the State submits annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to receive certain federal housing and community development funding. It examines the housing and community development needs of the State, sets priorities for allocation of the HUD funds, and establishes an annual Action Plan for meeting current and future needs in the coming year. The federal government has made available to the State of Minnesota \$5,000,000 of Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP3) funding for foreclosure remediation activities in areas of greatest need. An amendment to the 2010 Action Plan (Amendment) is required for the State to receive the funds.

The Amendment allocates NSP3 funds to areas of greatest need in the cities of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Big Lake; and the counties of Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, and Ramsey.

A [draft of the Amendment](#) is now available for public review and comment between January 14, 2011 and January 30, 2011. A hard copy of the Amendment can be obtained by calling Ruth Simmons, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, (651) 297-5146, or TTY (651) 297-2361. The State encourages citizens to comment on the Amendment.

Written public comments on the Amendment can be submitted to:

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Written comments may also be submitted by fax to (651) 296-8292 or by email to ruth.simmons@state.mn.us. To ensure consideration of your comments, type “Action Plan Amendment” in the subject line of your e-mail.

The Amendment will be submitted to HUD on or before March 1, 2011. The State will consider any comments from individuals or groups received in writing. A summary of the written comments and the State’s responses will be included in the final Amendment.